

In The Claims:

Amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A tearable hemostasis valve, comprising:
a valve body;
a first grip tab attached to said valve body at a first point;
a second grip tab attached to said valve body at a second point;
a score line disposed on said valve body between said first and second points;
a first membrane disposed within said valve body; and
a snap-fit arrangement coupled to a distal end of said valve body, wherein the snap and fit arrangement is adapted to couple onto an outer surface of an annular hub of a proximal end of a tubular medical device, wherein said snap-fit arrangement comprises a cavity disposed in said valve body; and an annular sidewall defining an opening in communication with said cavity, wherein a diameter of said opening formed by said annular sidewall is less than a diameter of said cavity.
2. (Original) The valve of claim 1, wherein said first membrane is bonded to said valve body.
3. (Original) The valve of claim 1, wherein said first membrane is integrally formed with said valve body.
4. (Currently Amended) A tearable hemostasis valve, comprising:
a valve body;
a first grip tab attached to said valve body;
a second grip tab attached to said valve body wherein an angle between and interior edge of each of the first and second grip tabs is less than about ninety degrees and wherein the interior edge of each of the first and second grip tabs contact [[a]] the valve body at substantially a common point;

a score line disposed on said valve body and extending inwardly from the common point toward a longitudinal axis of the valve body;

a first membrane disposed within said valve body; and

a snap-fit arrangement attached to said valve body.

5. (Original) The valve of claim 4, wherein: said first membrane comprises a material of a first durometer; and said valve body comprises a material of a second durometer, said second durometer higher than said first durometer.

6. (Original) The valve of claim 5, further comprising a score in said first membrane.

7. (Original) The valve of claim 5, further comprising a second membrane disposed within said valve body parallel to said first membrane.

8. (Original) The valve of claim 7, wherein said first and second membranes are self-sealing.

9. (Previously Amended) The valve of claim 8, wherein said snap-fit arrangement comprises:

a cavity disposed in said valve body; and an annular sidewall defining an opening in communication with said cavity, wherein a diameter of said opening is less than a diameter of said cavity.

10. (Original) The valve of claim 9, wherein said annular sidewall is flexible.

11. (Original) The valve of claim 9, wherein said opening is located below said cavity.

12. (Original) The valve of claim 9, wherein said opening is located along one side of said cavity.

13-21. (Cancelled)